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MEMORANDUM

November 23, 1977

TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

Robert F. Walsh, Director

SUBJECT:

BOARD OF APPEAL REFERRALS

Z-4009

John R. Kelley

613 East Third and 56-56A L Streets, South Boston

Hearing: 12/20/77

Three-story frame structure.

District(s):

apartment H-1-50

residential

single-family

general business local business

industrial waterfront

manufacturing

Purpose: to legalize occupancy - two apartments and restaurant.

Violation(s): Section

Required

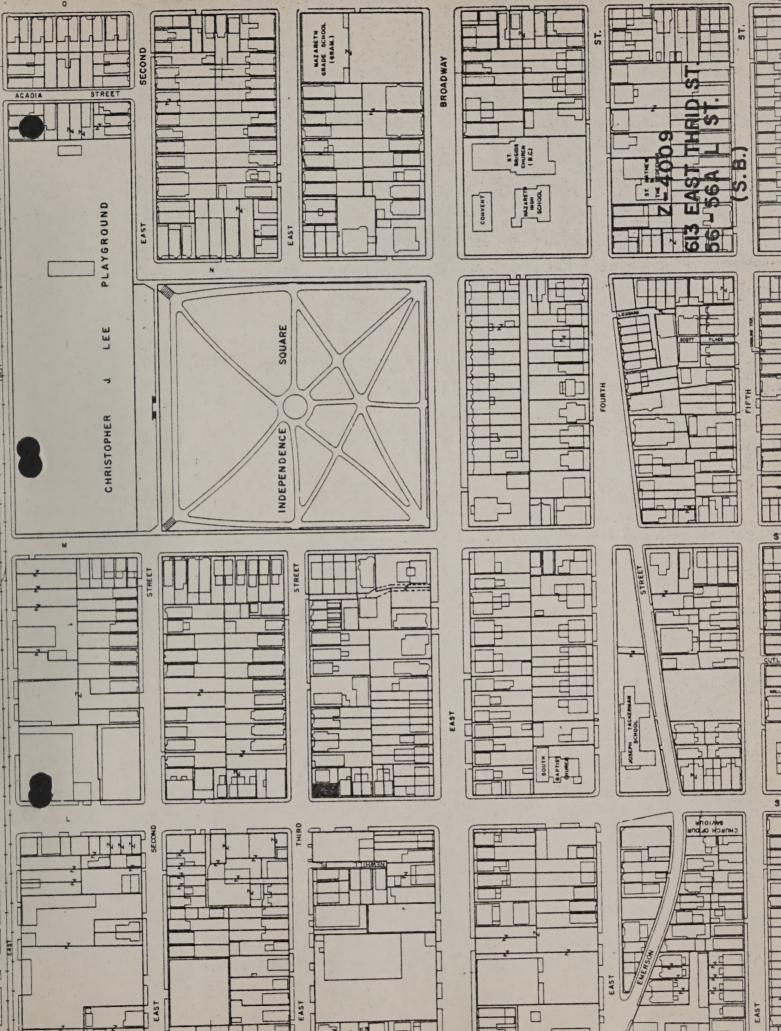
Proposed

8-7. A restaurant is forbidden in an H-1-50 district.

Use, which has existed for many years, is consistent with residential local business nature of the area. No neighborhood opposition. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-4009, brought by John R. Kelley, 613 East Third and 56-56A L Streets, South Boston, for a forbidden use to legalize occupancy for two apartments and a restaurant in an apartment (H-1-50) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Use, which has existed for many years, is consistent with residential—local business nature of the area. No neighborhood opposition.



Z-4010 Frank Plotner 1200 Hyde Park Avenue, Hyde Park at Clay Street

Service station.

District(s): apartment

apartment

residential single-family

general business
local business L-.5

industrial_waterfront

Hearing:

manufacturing

Purpose: to use premises for outdoor display and sale of used cars.

Violation(s):
 Section

Required

Proposed

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8-7. Outdoor sale or display for sale of motor vehicles is forbidden in an L-.5 district.

Proposed use would be consistent with former auto service facility and other related uses in the surrounding area. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-4010, brought by Frank Plotner, 1200 Hyde Park Avenue, Hyde Park, for a forbidden use to use premises for outdoor display and sale of used cars in a local business (L-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval with the following provisos: that all cars be stored within the lot; that sign plans be submitted to the Authority for design review.



Z-4011Ellie Bacon32 Moultrie Street, Dorchester near Washington Street

2½-story structure.

District(s): apartment

residential R-.5 single-family

general business_____local business_____

industrial waterfront manufacturing

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Purpose: to erect stairway addition to nursing home.

Violation(s):
 Section

Required

Hearing:

Proposed

9-1. The reconstruction, extension or structural change of a nonconforming use requires Board of Appeal hearing.

Stairway addition and other alterations are necessary for compliance with State Department of Health regulations. Structure has been used as a nursing home for many years. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-4011, brought by Ellie Bacon, 32 Moultrie Street, Dorchester, for a change in a nonconforming use to erect a stairway addition to a nursing home in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Addition and alterations are necessary and beneficial.



Z-4018-4019 Louis M., Louis V., and Emma A. Galante 1841-1843 River Street, Hyde Park near Vallaro Road

Hearing: 12/20/77

25-story frame structure (three-family dwelling).

District(s): apartment general business residential R-.5

single family

industrial local business

waterfront manufacturing

Purpose: to subdivide lot; to erect a one-family dwelling.

Violation(s): <pre>Section</pre>		Required	Proposed	
	14-1.	Lot area is insufficient (#1841).	2 acres	11,640 sf
	14-3.	Lot width is insufficient (#1841). " " (#1843).	200 ft. 50 ft.	37 ft. 45 ft.
	14-4.	Street frontage is insufficient (#1841). " " (#1843).	200 ft. 50 ft.	37 ft. 45 ft.
	23-1.	Off-street parking not provided on lot (#1843).	1 space	0

One-family dwelling would be compatible with and would enhance this mixed residential-local business neighborhood. Violations are existing and technical. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED:

In reference to Petitions Nos. Z-4018-4019, brought by Louis M., Louis V., and Emma A. Galante, 1841-1843 River Street, Hyde Park, for six variances to subdivide lot and to erect a one-family dwelling in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided that the required off-street parking is supplied.



Hearing: 12/20/77

Three-story frame duplex structure.

District(s): apartment H-1 residential single-family

general business_____

industrial_____waterfront_____manufacturing____

Purpose: to subdivide lot; to legalize occupancy - three-family

dwelling (#39).

Violation(s): Section	Required	Proposed
14-1. Lot area is insufficient.	5,000 sf	2,036 sf 2,315 sf
14-3. Lot width is insufficient.	50 ft.	30 ft. 32 ft.
14-4. Street frontage is insufficient.	50 ft.	30 ft. 32 ft.

Proposal would allow the sale of #39 as separate parcel by owner-occupant of legal three-family dwelling (#41). Violations are existing and technical. No opposition. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-4021-4022, brought by Jane M. Harrington, 39-41 Pleasant Street, in the Charlestown Urban Renewal Area, for six variances to subdivide lot and to legalize occupancy for three-family dwelling in an apartment (H-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided that there be no further increase in occupancy. Abutters are amenable to three-family dwelling.



Z-4023 The Claridge Company 101 Mount Vernon Street, Boston near West Cedar Street

Four-story structure.

residential

District(s): apartment H-2-65 general business industrial local business____

Hearing:

waterfront manufacturing

single-family

Purpose: to change occupancy from lodging house to five apartments.

Violation(s);

Section 17-1. Open space is insufficient. Required

Proposed

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150 ft.

0

Conversion will enhance residential character of Beacon Hill. Abutters and community support proposal. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-4023, brought by The Claridge Company, 101 Mount Vernon Street, Boston, for a variance for a change of occupancy from lodging house to five apartments in an apartment (H-2-65) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Conversion will enhance the residential character of Beacon Hill. Abutters and community support proposal.



This vote amended by addition of the following:

This action is contingent upon an agreement which provides that the Harvard Community Health Plan, Inc., make a payment to the City of Boston in lieu of taxes in an amount equal to the present tax payment being made by the owner of the real estate, said tax payment to be adjusted proportionately to the change in the Boston tax rate.

Z-4024-4025 Robinwood Trust and Robert Malloy 55 Robinwood Avenue and 36 Burrage Street, Jamaica Plain

Glenside Hospital complex.

District(s): apartment

residential R-.5

single-family

general business____ local business____ industrial_

Hearing:

waterfront

manufacturing_

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Purpose: to erect two hospital structures - two and three stories.

Violation(s):

Section		Required	Proposed	
	8-7.	Hospitals are forbidden in an R5 district.		
	14-2.	Lot area is insufficient.	199,000 sf	155,407 sf
	16-1.	Height of building is excessive.	2 stories	3 stories
	23-3.	Off-street parking is insufficient.	121 spaces	68 spaces

Proposal consists of demolition of a three-story frame structure and construction of two hospital buildings containing 52 and 80 beds respectively. Community and hospital are amenable to provisos as indicated in vote proposed below. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED:

In reference to Petitions Nos. Z-4024-4025, brought by Robinwood Trust and Robert Malloy, 55 Robinwood Avenue and 36 Burrage Street. Jamaica Plain, for two forbidden uses and five variances to erect two hospital structures in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval with the following provisos: that existing foliage be retained in so far as possible and additional landscaping be provided where necessary; that the main entrance to 55 Robinwood Avenue be moved so as to face in a southwesterly direction; that the proposed buildings be designed to blend with the residential character of the neighborhood; that the Robinwood Avenue parking lot be redesigned and landscaped; that dumpsters and trash receptacles be adequately screened from residential properties; that there be no construction on lots abutting Parley Avenue and that the Hospital provide effective maintenance in this area; that the Hospital not purchase or lease additional property in the neighborhood; that the Hospital not renew lease or occupy the building at 71 Robinwood Avenue at expiration of current lease and recommend to owners that it be returned to residential occupancy; that there be no increase in licensed bed capacity (132); that no outpatient services be provided; that the increase in staff created by this proposal be limited to a maximum of ten employees; that plans be submitted to the Authority for design review.



Z-4027-4028 Hearing: 12/13/77
Guiseppe, Maria, Salvatore, and Pasqualino Cerro

189-191 Fairmount Avenue, Hyde Park
near Truman Highway

2½-story frame structure (three-family dwelling).

District(s): apartment general business industrial residential local business waterfront manufacturing

Purpose: to subdivide lot; to erect two-family dwelling.

Violation(s): Section		Required	Proposed	
8-7.	A two-family dwelling is forbidden in an S5 district.			
14-2.	Lot area is insufficient.	14,000 sf	11,250 sf	
14-4.	Access to rear lot is insufficient.	20 ft.	15 ft.	
18-1.	Front yard is insufficient.	30 ft.	25 ft.	
20-1.	Rear yard is insufficient.	50 ft.	43 ft.	

Proposed structure would be constructed behind existing three-family dwelling. Inadequate access would seriously hinder fire and safety apparatus. Additional nonconformity is unwarranted and detrimental to this low-density residential neighborhood. Recommend denial.

VOTED: In reference to Petition No. Z-4027-4028, brought by Guiseppe, Maria, Salvatore, and Pasqualino Cerro, 189-191 Fairmount Avenue, Hyde Park, for a forbidden use and five variances to subdivide lot and to erect a two-family dwelling in a single-family (S-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. Additional nonconforming dwelling is unwarranted and detrimental to this low-density residential neighborhood. Inadequate access would seriously hinder fire and safety apparatus.



Z-4041-4042
Pierce Realty Co., Inc.
133-141 Brookline Avenue, Boston
at Burlington Avenue

Hearing: 12/13/77

Six-story structure and three-story structure.

District(s): apartment general business B-2 industrial waterfront manufacturing M-2

Purpose: to change occupancy from warehouse, offices, and stores to clinic, offices, garage, and retail store; to erect two-way

auto ramp and seven-story elevator shaft.

Violation(s):

8-7. Accessory off-street parking facilities are conditional in a restricted parking district.

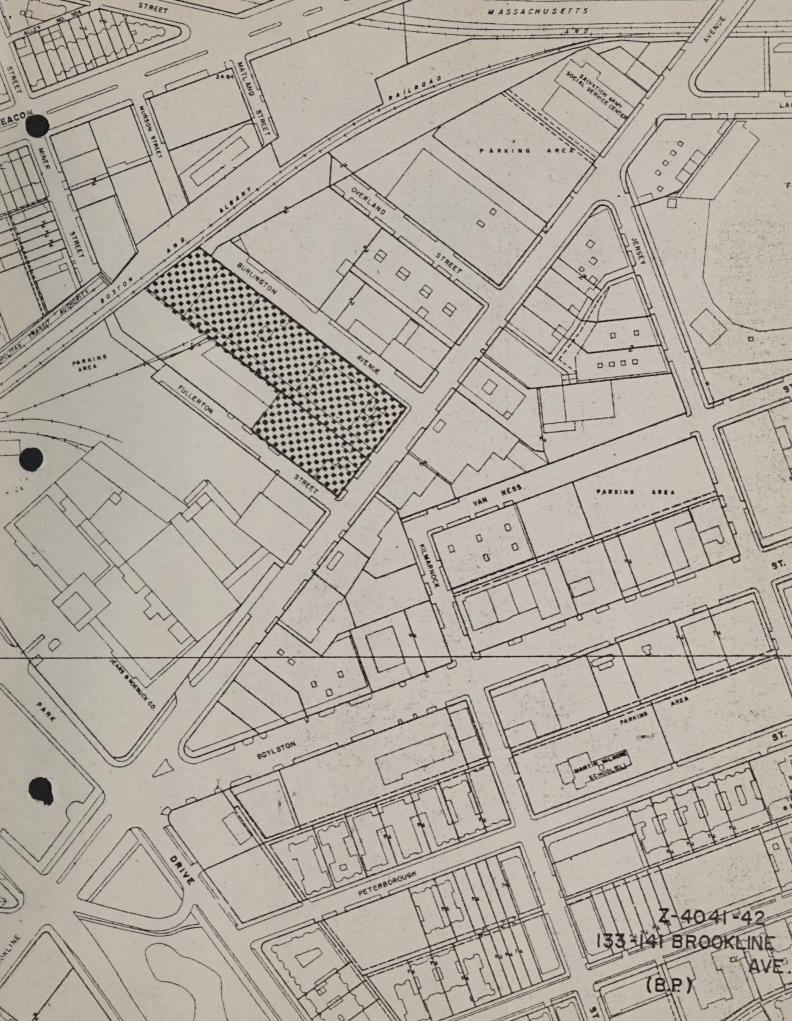
20-1. Rear yard is insufficient.

Required Proposed

12 ft. 1 ft.

Former S.S.Pierce buildings, now mostly vacant, would be renovated by Harvard Community Health Plan, Inc., for use as a health center and its administrative offices. Adequate off-street parking (227 spaces) would be provided for staff and patients. To encourage use of public transportation, HCHP will resurface, light, landscape, and maintain walkway from Fenway MBTA station to rear of property. HCHP has agreed to payment in lieu of taxes. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED: In reference to Petitions Nos. Z-4041-4042, brought by Pierce Realty Co., Inc., 133-141 Brookline Avenue, Boston, for a conditional use and a variance for a change of occupancy from warehouse, offices, and stores to clinic, offices, garage, and retail store and to erect two-way auto ramp and seven-story elevator shaft in general business (B-2) and manufacturing (M-2) districts, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided plans inclusive of landscaping are submitted to the Authority for design review.



Z - 4052Elvira Viera 415 Bremen Street, East Boston at Bennington Street

One-story masonry structure.

District(s): apartment

residential single family general business local business

__ industrial waterfront

Hearing: 12/20/77

manufacturing M-1

Purpose: to change occupancy from cement storage to storage and retail

store; to erect one-story addition.

Violation(s):

Section

Required

Proposed

20-1. Rear yard is insufficient.

20 ft.

5 ft.

Addition to existing builders' supply retail store would be used for storage. Rear yard abuts Penn Central right of way and rear yard deficiency would have minimal impact. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

In reference to Petition No. Z-4052, brought by Elvira Viera, 415 Bremen Street, East Boston, for a change of occupancy from cement storage to storage and retail store and to erect a one-story addition in a manufacturing (M-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. Rear yard abuts Penn Central right of way and rear

yard deficiency would have minimal impact.

